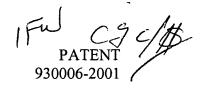
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E CLAIMS:

In Claim 17, at Column 9, lines 40-41, please delete "according to". accordance with the accompanying form PTO-1050.

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

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This certificate is being submitted to correct a typographical error made by the Patentees during prosecution of the application. The language "according to" found in claim 17 should have been deleted in the amendment mailed July 8, 2004.

Since this error was made by the Patentees, enclosed is the fee set forth in §1.20(a) in the amount of \$100. If there are any additional fees incurred by reason of the above-mentioned correction, please charge such additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0320. A completed From PTO-1050 is enclosed.

It is clear that the requested change does not constitute new matter and this application does not require re-examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

In claim 17, at Column 9, lines 40-41, please delete "according to".

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